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been consistently rejected by the Allies.

b. Q. Does the United States intend to continue these flights?

A. The United States will continue to conduct such flights in the Berlin corridors as are considered necessary or desirable.

c. Q. Does this action constitute an overt challenge to Soviet authority over the Berlin air corridor?

A. No.

d. Q. Under what agreements, military or otherwise, are the air corridors into Berlin defined?

A. Specific air corridors into Berlin were established by the Allied Control Authority on 30 November 1945

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